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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

號二十月二十年四十八百八千一英

Bank.

CORPORATION, LIMITED.

Incorporated in London on 18th July, 1884,

under the Compaines Acts 1862, to: 1883.)

LONDON BANKERS:

UNION BANK OF LONDON, LD.

BANK OF SCOTLAND, LONDON:

TATES or Interest Allowed on De-

3 months' notice 3 % per Annum.

Current Accounts kepts on Terms which

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

TATE Beg to give Notice, that We intend

as Public TEA INSPECTORS and COM-

MISSION AGENTS, in CANTON, for the

NOTIUE.

T HAVE Admitted Mr. NOORMA-

BHOY, as a PARTNER in my Firms,

carried on at Bombay. Hongkong and

SHANGHAL, in my own Name, from Kartak

Sood 1st Sawant Year, 1941 (19th October,

1884), and the said Firms will henceforth be

designated and carried on under the Style of

NOTICE.

WITH Reference to the above, Mr.

thourised to Ston our Firms in China from

JAIRAZBHOY PEERBHOY & Co.

Intimations.

ST. GEORGE'S BALL.

TT is requested that ALL BILLS in con-

to the Hon. TREASURER as early as con-

venient, in Order that the ACCOUNTS

may be CLOSED as soon as possible.

Hongkong, December 20, 1884.

LOST.

ON MONDAY last in Queen's ROAD

DOG, answering to the name of 'Boddeon,'

Any Person returning the same, or giving information as to its whereabouts, will be

NOTICE.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION

IN LIQUIDATION.

Hongkong, December 20, 1884.

. PRAYA CENTRAL, No. 6.

CENTRAL, a Small BLACK POODLE

nection with the above Ball be sent in

H. M. THOMSETT,

Hon. Treasurer,

St. GEORGE'S BALL.

Hongkong, December 8, 1884.

JAFFERBHOY KHETSEY is au-

Bombay, November 10, 1884.

this date.

JAIRAZBHOY PEERBHOY.

HOMED JAIRAZBHOY PEER-

Macao, 24th November, 1884.

coming Tea-Season.

to OPEN a BRANCH of our Firm,

MARGESSON & Co.

Hongkong, September 15, 1884.

J. MELVILLE MATSON,

Manager.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1884.

Established February, 1845.

日六初月一十年申甲

PRICE, \$2 PER MONTE

Shipping.

Steamers.

AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN LLOYD'S

STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR

SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO,

BOMBAY, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT.

SAID, AND TRIESTE.

Taking Cargo at through rates to CAL.

GRORGE THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK

LONDON :- F. ALGAB, 11 & 12, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street, E. Q. GEORGE STREET & Co., 30, Cornhill. GORDON & Gozch, Ludgate Circus, E.C. BATES HENDY & Co., 37, Walbrook, E.C. SAMUEL DEACON & Co., 150 & 154, Leadenhall Street .-

PARIS AND EUROPE :- GALLIEN & PRINCE, 36, Rue Lafayette, Paris. NEW YORK :- ANDREW WIND, 21, Park AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW

ZEALAND :-- Gordon & Gorch, Melbourne and Sydney. SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports generally :- BEAN & BLACK, San Fran-SINGAPORE, STRAITS, &c. :- SAYLE &

Co., Square, Singapore. C. Heinszen & Co., Manila. may be learnt on application. OHINA: -- Macao, Messrs A. A. DE MELIO & Co. Swatow, Quelch & Co. Amoy, Wilson, Nicholls & Co. Foochow, HEDGE & Co. Shanghai, LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., and KELLY & WALSH. Yokohama, LANE, CRAW-

Banks.

FORD & Co.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKIN CORPORATION.

RESERVE FOR EQUALIZATION \ \$ 400,000 OF DIVIDENDS,.... RESERVE LIABILITY OF PRO- \$7,500,000 FRIETORS,

COURT OF DIRECTORS. Chairman-A. P. McEwen, Esq. Deputy Chairman-Hon. F. D. SASSOON. BOTTOMLEY, M. GROTE, Esq. H. HOPPIUS, ESQ. H. L. DAIRYMPLE, Hon. W. KESWICK. A. Molver, Esq. W. H. FORDES, Esq. M. H. SASSOON, Esq. 'JAIRAZBHOY PEERBHOY & Co.'

CHIEF MANAGER. Hongkong, THOMAS JACKSON, Esq. DIANAGER.

Bhanghai,..........Ewen Camenon, Esq. Lendon Bankers. - London and County Bank. HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED. ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance. For Fixed Deposits :-

For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum. n 6 n 4 per cent, n 5 per cent. " LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED. Oredits granted on approved Securities,

and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted. Drafts granted on London, and chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan. T. JACKSON. Olsief. Manager,

Hongkong, August 25, 1884.

NOTIOE.

TO ULES OF THE HONGKONG BAVINGS' BANK.

11. The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3 : Saturdays, 10

2.—The Assets of the Rongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation will form a direct security for the repayment of sums deposited in the above

3.—Sums less than \$1, or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$1,500. in any one year. 4.—Deposits may be on behalf of relations.

of trusts, &c., in addition to the depositors own account : 5.—Persons desirous of saving some less than a dollar may do so by affixing clean ten-cent stamps to a form to

obtained at the Bank or at the Post Office. When the form is presented with ten clean stamps the depositor will be credited one dollar.

6. - Depositors in the Savings' Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest. 7 -Deposits may be forwarded from the Ports by means of clean Hongkong

Postage Stamps of any values. 8. -Interest at the rate of 31 per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositors on their daily balances.

9.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.

10.—Covers containing Pass-Books, Re gistered Letters containing Stamps or other Remittances, and generally, correspondence as to the business of the Bank will, if marked On Hongkong Hongkong and China.

12.—All documents connected with the

exempt from stamp duty. For the HONGRONG & SHANGHAY BANKING

CORPORATION, T. JACKSON,

Chief Marager. Hongkong, April 25, 1884.

TITH Reference to the above, BUSI. WW NESS will be Commenced on the 1st May, 1884.

For the CORPORATION. T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

LL HOLDERS of NOTES of the

WELL REWARDED.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORA-TION (HONGKONG BRANCH), are hereby requested to present them to the Liquida-TORS of the Bank, when they will be given in Exchange, a certificate of the value of the Notes deposited.

HOLDERS of Nores will be required to Furnish to the Liquidarons of the Bank, a schedule in duplicate, giving the date of Issue, Number and Amount of each Note

Forms of Schedule may be had on application at the OFFICE of the ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, Queen's Road, Hongkong.

For the OFFICIAL LIQUIDATOR OF THE ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION. By his Attorneys.

J. MELVILLE MATSON. H. HOWARD TAYLOR. Hongkong, August 2, 1884.

HONGKONG AND CHINA GAS COM-PANY, LIMITED.

THE Transfer BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED from the 23rd Instant until the 8th Proximo, both days HENRY R. H. MARTIN.

Hongkong, December 18, 1884

NOTICE.

THE MITSU BISHI MAIL S.S. Co. SILK & CAMBRIO HANDKERCHIEFS, Bavings Bank Business, be forwarded I having taken over the NAGASAKI free of Postage or Registration Fees DOCK, SLIP and ENGINKERING by the various British Post Offices in WORKS, are now prepared to Dock and and SOAPS. REPAIR VESSELS, at moderate terms, 11. Withdrawals may be made on demand. The DOCK is one of the largest and SHOES and TENNIS SHOES, &c., &c. but the personal attendance of the best in the East, being 431 feet long and depositor or his duly appointed agent. 89 feet broad, and having a depth of water and the production of his Pass Book on blocks at spring tides of 27 feet and

neap tides 22 feet. The SHOPS contain Machine-tools of all business of the Savings' Bank are descriptions and compound Engines up to 1,000 horse-power. The heaviest-class of work can be undertaken at the shortest

Powerful lifting SHEARS are being For further Particulars, apply to

H. J. H. TRIPP. Hongkong, December 18, 1884. 2185

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS. CHAREHOLDERS in the COMPANIA

HONGKONG & SHANGHAL BARRING NAVIERA DE FILIPINAS OF MANILA are requested to communicate with the Undersigned.

DUNN, MELBYE & Co. Hongkong, December 13, 1884.

For Sale.

HAVE NOW OPENED THEIR

Goods, including: & PALMER'S CHRISTMAS PLUMCAKES

AND FANCY CHRISTMAS BISCUITS, DESSERT BISCUITS, AND ASSORTED ICE WAFERS. CROSSE & BLACKWELL'S

CELEBRATED PLUM PUDDINGS AND MINCE MEAT. PHILLIPPE & CANAUD'S PRESERVED DELICACIES,

Paté de Foie Gras Truffé. Assorted Game Pates. Cepes a L'Huile.

Champignons and Petit Pois. Truffés du Perigord. Maccdoine de Legumes.

Foie Gras au Naturel. Galantine of Game: Sardines aux Tomates. Sardines a L'Huile. Truffés a la Serviette. Haricot Verts.

CROSSE & BLACKWELL'S PRESERVED DELICACIES Bologna and Truffled Sausages. Oxford and Cambridge do. Milton Oysters and Caviare, 1979 Real Turtle Soup.
Collared and Smoked Ox-Tongues.

Vegetables of all Kinds. Salad Cream and Dressing. Potted Meats and Patties. Horse Redish and Herbs. Orange Vanilla and Lemon Creams.

Truffled Chicken in Jelly. Preserved Salmon and Lobster. Jams and Jellies. Dried Herrings and Sprats. Jellied and Spiced Ox-Tongues. Essences and Flavourings. Sage and Onion Stuffing. Pickles and Sauces. Gelatine and Isinglass. &c., &c., &c.

Viltabire, Irish, and Suffolk Bacon, Prime York Hams, Gorgonzola, Stilton, Cheddar, Gloster, and American Cheese, Calcutta Curries, Chutnies and Preserves, American Canned Meat and Vegetables.

DESSERT FRUITS, &c.

Jordan Almonds and Raisins. Now Crystalized Fruits. Fruits in Noyeau and Brandy. Preserved Tart Fruits. Prunes in Noyeau.

Fresh Muscatel Raisins. Strawberries in Syrup. Assorted Fruits in Syrup. Preserved Tamarinds. French Plume.

CUTTING'S AMÉRICAN DESSERT FRUITS. NEW SMYRNA FIGS AND ELVAS PLUMS BEST FRENCH AND ENGLISH CONFECTIONERY. CHRISTMAS COSAQUES IN VARIETY. MAGIC BOUQUETS AND BON-BON BOXES.

HOLLY & MISTLETOE WREATHS.

WINES, SPIRITS AND LIQUERS. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, December 15, 1884.

ROBERT

Tailors, Hosiers, Shirtmakers & General Outfitters,

QUEEN'S ROAD, OPPOSITE HONGKONG HOTEL.

Superfine BLACK CLOTH DRESS

THIRTY DOLLARS.

Hongkong, November 20, 1884.

W. POWELL & Co. THIS WEEK ONLY.

FOR CASH. MENTLEMEN'S BLACK AND DRAB FELT HATS, slightly damaged, -50 Cents and \$1.00 each, -usual price, \$3.00, \$4.00 and \$5.00 each. GENTLEMEN'S LAVENDER AND PRIMROSE KID GLOVES, slightly damaged .- 50 Cents per pair; 3 pairs for \$1.00 usual price, \$1.50 per pair. CHRISTMAS CARDS,-25 Cents per dozen,-usual price, 10 Cents each.

RECEIVED THIS DAY (by English Mail), LADIES' 2, 4, 6 8-BUTTONS KID GLOVES, BLACK, COLOURED AND WHITE, in splendid condition, W. POWELL & Co.

Hongkong, December 22, 1884.

FOR SALE

SEE WOO. TAILOR, DRAPER & OUTFITTER, 1285 No. 55, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong. HAS NOW LANDING, FOR SALE: A LL Kinds of AUTUMN and WINTER WOOLLEN CLOTHS. DAMASK, REP, and ORETONNES for

Curtains and Covering Furniture. CHRISTY'S Gentlemen's New Zephyr Black, Drab, and Brown FELT HATS. All Sorts of Fancy and Black SILK SCARVES, TIES, White DRESS TIES. WOOLLEN WRAPPERS, Coloured and case and newards. White KID GLOVES. WOOLLEN and MERINO UNDER SUITS and SOCKS. White TABLE OLOTHS, NAPKINS.

Best Kinds of TOILET PERFUMES DAWSON'S BOOTS, SHOOTING BOOTS, AT LOW PRICES. Hongkong, October 25, 1884.

FOR SALE MINERVA-BRUNNEN. DELICIOUS NATURAL MINERAL WATER

in Cases of 96 Pints @........87.00. do. 48 Quarts @......\$6.00. RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, November 10, 1884. 1897

FOR SALE. BORROUGHES & WATTS SOLID MAHOGANY BILLIARD TABLE, Complete with CUES, POOL, PYRAMID, &c. BALIS, MARKING BOARD, RESTS, EXTRA CLOTH, &c., &c.

Just arrived per Glenfalloch. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. Hongkong, November 4, 1884.

EXTRA FINE QUALITY FRENCH BUTTER, BRAND 'DUC DE NORMANDIE,' -THE OLDEST BUTTER PACKING ESTABLISHMENT IN NORMANDY.

TN 11b tins and Cases of 48 tins each. Sold in Quantities of not less than one dozen tins, at \$6 per Dozen. Reduction made to Purchasers of one G. R. LAMMERT,

Sole Agent. Hongkong, October 4, 1884.

FOR SALE. TULES MUMM & Co.'s OHAMPAGNE, Pints......\$21 " " 2 " 1806 Dubos Frères & de Gernon & Co.'s BORDEAUX CLARETS AND

> Baxter's Celebrated Barley Bree' WHISKY, -\$77 per Case of 1 doz. GIBB. LIVINGSTON & Co. Hongkong, July 18, 1884.

NOW PUBLISHED. BUDDHISM: ITS HISTORICAL, THEORETICAL AND POPULAR

ASPECTS, ERNEST J. EITEL, PH.D., TUBING. THIRD EDITION. REVISED, WITH ADDITIONS.

Price, - - - - 81.50. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. Hongkong, August 20, 1884.

Entertainment.

ROYAL, CITY HALL.

SATURDAY EVENING, corned, 27th December, 1884. 'THE SNOW DROPS,'

(By Special Desire), will give their CECOND GRAND ETHIOPIAN DRAWING-ROOM ENTERTAINMENT.

commencing at 9 p.m. Tickets may be obtained and Seats secured at Messrs, Lane, Chawford & Co.'s, on and after Monday, 22nd Instant.

PRICES OF ADMISSION: Dress Circle and Stalls. - - - \$2. Hongkong, December 17, 1884.

MHE GAIETY COMPANY Sole Proprietor, - GEO. NORVILLE.

THE THEATRE ROYAL, Calcutta; THE GALETY THEATER, Bombay.

T. R. H. THE DUKE AND DUCHESS, of Conneught. His Excellency The Marquis of Ripon, His Excellency Sir JAMES FERGUSSON,

WILL IF POSSIBLE GIVE TWO PERFORMANCES. en-route, for Shanghai. THE FIRST PERFORMANCE,

will be GILBERT'S CLASSICAL COMEDY,

PYGMALION & GALATEA SECOND PERFORMANCE, will be presented

A HUSBAND IN CLOVER, And the OBIENTAL BURLESQUE

BROWN & THE BRAHMINS Full Particulars will be duly announced on the arrival of the Company.

The Plan of the Theatre may be seen and Seats secured at Messrs Kelly & Walsh's. Hongkong, December 11, 1884.

Intimations.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS. TN accordance with Section 120 of the

Articles of Association, the General Agents, with approval of the Consulting Committee, will, on 1st January, 1885, issue INTEREST WARRANTS of \$5 per Share, payable at the Hongkong & Shanghai Bank, the same being at the rate of the Office for the year 1884, and notice is hereby given that in order that the same may be adjusted, the Transfer Books of the Office will be CLOSED from the 18th to 31st Instant, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents, CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, Hongkong, December 13, 1884. 2102

VICTORIA HOTEL, Praya and Queen's Road Central,

THIS extensive and well-appointed establishment, situated in one of the most central and airy positions in the Colony and commanding a splendid view of almost the entire harbour and within five minutes' walk of the principal Gov-ernment Offices (including the Post Office), Banks, do., has recently been much enlarged and improved and is now one of the principal Hotels in the place. The Rooms are spacious, well ventilated and have just been rejurnished in a most comfortable and handsome manner. suited to the requirements of the Far

The accommodation and service of every kind will be found to be of the best description. An ample and varied TABLE D'HOTE is always provided and served in the spacious, large Dining Hall. The Hotel also contains handsome and comfortable reception, Reading, Billiard and Smoking Rooms. The Hotel is unsurpassed for comfort, conpenience and quick service.

Continental languages are spoken. MESSES, DORABJEE AND HING KEE, PROPRIETORS. Hongkong, September 15, 1884.

WILLIAM DOLAN.

WHITE WINES. | SAIL-MAKER & SHIP-CHANDLER, 23, PRAYA CENTRAL MOTTON DUCKS, HEMP CANVAS. MANILA ROPE, AMERICAN OAKUM, LIFE BUOYS,

CORK JACKETS, &c., &c., &c. Hongkong, May 1, 1882. NOTICE.

THE attention of Connoisseurs MANILA CIGARS is invited to our made to our order from the Finest Leaf Tobacco of the Philippines. In Boxes of | For Freight or Passage, apply to 100 price \$3.50.

A. S. WATSON & Co. Hongkong, November 3, 1884.

Auctions.

STEAMSHIP KWANGTUNG.

NOTICE OF AUCTION. MO BE SOLD by Public Auction, in One Lot, for the Bonefit of the Con-AT THREE O'CLOCK P.M. ON

TUESDAY. the 30th of December, on the Premises of the Undersigned, at FOOCHOW,-

THE STEAMSHIP KWANGTUNG As she now lies sunken off Salamis Island, Kimpai Pass, Min River, together with her ANCHORS, CHAINS and CARGO, One Box of TREASURE (said to contain \$4,000) now missing will be included should it not be previously salved.

For further Particulars, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., FOOUROW. Agents, S.S. Kivangtung. 20th December, 1884.

Shipping.

Steamers. INDO-OHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI. (Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates for CHEFOO, HANKOW and Ports on the YANGTSZE.

The Co.'s Steamship Kwongsang,
Captain Jackson, will be
despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 23rd Instant, at Noon. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

Hongkong, December 20, 1884. FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

General Managers.

The Steamship

Captain T. S. GARDNER, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 23rd Inst. at 3 p.m.

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co... Hongkong, December 12, 1884.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

THE CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED. FOR MANILA (DIRECT.) The Co.'s Steamship

Esmeralda.

Captain TAYLOB, will be despatched for the above Port on TUESDAY, the 23rd Instant, at For Freight or Passage, apply to

RUSSELL & Co., General Managers. Hongkong, December 20, 1884.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED. 10 % per annum on the Paid-up Capital of FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW. The Co.'s Steamship

Douglas,
Capt. S. Asuron, will be
despatched for the above
the 24th Inst., at Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 24th Inst., at Daylight. For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., General Managers, Hongkong, December 20, 1884. 2145

THE EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN

STEAMSHIP COMPANY,

LIMITED. FOR SYDNEY, MELBOURNE AND ADELAIDE, VIA SINGAPORE. Calling at PORT DARWIN & QUEENS LAND PORTS, and taking through Jargo to NEW ZEALAND, NEW CALE-

DONIA, TASMANIA and FIJI.) Menmuir,
Captain Helms, will be
despatched for the above The Steamship Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 24th Inst., at p.m.

RUSSELL & Co., Hongkong, December 10, 1884. FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL The Steamship

For Freight or Passage, apply to

Capt. A. W. S. Thomson, will be despatched for the. above Port on or about the 24th Instant. For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB. LIVINGSTON & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, December 19, 1884. FOR YOKOHAMA AND HIGGO. The Steamship will leave for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the Benlaria

28th Instant, at Daylight. For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Hongkong, December 20, 1884

SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS. FOR YOKOHAMA AND HIOGO The Steamship Pembrokeshire.

DAVIES. Commander, expected here on or about Stock of Special Vigueros, a smoke the 19th Instant, will have immediate despatch for the above Ports. ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agenta.

Hongkong, December 12, 1884.

CUTTA, PERSIAN GULF PORTS ODESSA, and the and the

MEDITERRANEAN PORTS The Co.'s Steamship Captain G. Merrer, will be despatched as above

on or about SUNDAY, the 28th Instant, at For further Particulars, apply to MELOHERS & Co., Agonto.

Hongkong, December 15, 1884. FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

The Steamship Capt. Dovaruson, will be despatched as above on or about the 29th Instant. This Steamer has superior Accommoda-

tion for Passengers, and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, December 16, 1884. FOR HAVRE AND HAMBURG, VIA BUEZ CANAL - The Steamship

or about the 29th Instant. For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMSSEN & Co., Agenta.

Hongkong, December 15, 1884, 2105

Captain NAGEL, will be despatched as above on

SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS. FOR LONDON AND HAMBURG, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

(Taking Cargo at through rates for

NEW YORK.) The Steamship DANCASTER, Commander, will be despatched for the above Ports on or about the 1st Prox.

For Freight or Passage, apply to ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,

Hongkong, December 16, 1884. 212125 FOR HAVRE AND HAMBURG, VIA SUEZ CANAL,

The Steamship Cassandra. Captain Lindenann, will be despatched as above on or about the 10th January, 1885. For Freight or Passage, apply to

SIEMSSEN & Co. Agents. A. A. A. Hongkong, December 15, 1884.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The 3/3 L.1.1. British Ship-Honolulu,

Engert, Master, will load here
for the above Port, and will

have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, October 27, 1884. 1808 FOR VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA The 3/3 L.1.1. British Barque

Done, Moster, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, November 26, 1884. 1992

Nanaimo.

FOR HONOLULU. The American Barque Ceylon,
BARSTOW, Master, will load here
for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, November 4, 1884.

FOR NEW YORK. The 3/3 L.1.1. American Ship Wandering Jew. TALPEY, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to

RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, October 25, 1884.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Carro are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery.
This Cargo has been landed and stored at their rick and expense. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Ex Natal.

M Y No. 29, one case from Marseilles Consigned to Order. G. DE CHAMPEAUX.

Hongkong, December 13, 1884, 2009

Hongkong, April 25, 1884,



MacEWEN REL & Co.

No. 53, Queen's Road East, (OPPOSITE THE COMMISSARIAT), ARE NOW

LANDING FROM AMERICA.

TIRESH ROLL BUTTER. TOPOCAN Do. . Eastern and Californian CHEESE. CODFISH. Boncless. Prime HAMS and BACON. Eagle Brand Condensed MILK. Family BEEF in 25 th kogs. Beau Ideal SALMON in 5 ib cans. Cutting's Dessert FRUITS in 21 to cans.

Assorted Canned VEGETABLES. Potted SAUSAGE and Sausage MEAT. Stuffed PEPPERS.

Assorted SOUPS. Richardson & Robbin's Celebrated Potted MEATS.

Lambs' TONGUES. Clam CHOWDER. Fresh OREGON SALMON. Dried APPLES. SUCCOTASH. Maple SYRUP. Golden SYRUP. Cracked WHEAT. HOMINY. HONEY. Queen OLIVES.

FAIRBANKS' SCALES.

DEVOE'S NONPAREIL KEROSINE OIL.

'KAISAR-I-HIND! CIGARETTES

in crystallized Boxes of 100 at \$6.50 per mille.

SPORTING AND RIFLE GUNPOWDER in 1-fb Tins.

AGATE IRON WARE. INSERTION RUBBER. TUCK'S PATENT PACKING

HOLMES' DISTRESS SIGNALS. HITCHOOCK HOUSE LAMPS. PERFECTION STUDENT LAMPS.

PAINTS and OILS. TALLOW and TAR.

> Ex late Arrivals from ENGLAND.

A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF STORES,

including: CHRISTMAS CAKES. PLUM PUDDING. MINCE MEAT. CRYSTALLIZED FRUITS.

> PUDDING RAISINS. CURRANTS. CANDIED PEEL.

Fine YORK HAMS. PIONIC TONGUES. BREAKFAST TONGUES.

PATE DE FOIE GRAS. ALMONDS and RAISINS. FRENCH PLUMS:

TEYSSONEAU'S DESSERT FRUITS. JORDON ALMONDS.

COOKING STOVES.

PARLOUR STOVES.

CLARETS-CHATEAU MARGAUX. CHATEAU LA TOUR, pints & quarts 1RES. GRAVES, BREAKFAST CLARET, II

SHERRIES & PORT-TILLADO. SACCOME'S OLD INVALID PORT

HUNT'S PORT. BRANDY, WHISKY, LIQUEURS, &c.-1 and 3-star HENNESSY'S BRANDY. COURVOISIER'S BRANDY. FINEST OLD BOURBON WHISKY. KINAHAN'S LL WHISKY. ROYAL GLENDEE WHISKY. BOORD'S OLD TOM. E. & J. BURKE'S IRISH WHISKY. ROSE'S LIME JUICE CORDIAL. NOILLY PRAT & Co.'s VERMOUTH. JAMESON'S WHISKY. MARSALA.

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BASS'S ALE, bottled by CAMERON and SAUNDERS, pints and quarts. GUINNESS'S STOUT, bottled by E. & J. Burke, pints and quarta. DRAUGHT ALE and PORTER, by the . Gallon.

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SPECIALLY SELECTED

Mine New Season's CUMSHAW TRA,

5 catty Boxes. BREAKFAST CONGOU @ 25 cents p. fb. MILNER'S PATENT FIRE-PROOF Chinese Imperial 1874......

SAFES, CASH and PAPER BOXES, at Manufacturer's Prices. 2127 | Sugar Debentures, 1880 Hongrong, Becember 16, 1884.

To-day's Advertisements. To-day's Advertisements.

BANK HOLIDAYS.

TN Accordance with Ordinanco No. 6 of 1875, the Undermentioned BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business, on THURSDAY, the 25th (CHRISTMAS DAY), and FRIDAY, the 26th Instant (Boxing DAY).

For the 'Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London and China, JOHN THURBURN, Manager For the 'Chartered Bank of India, Aus-

tralia and China, T. H. WHITEHEAD, Acting, Manager. For the 'Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

For the 'Comptoir d'Escompte de Paris,' J. ARRANGER, Agent. For the New 'Oriental Bank Corporation,

H. HOWARD TAYLOR, p. Manager Hongkong, December 22, 1884.

SINGAPORE. THE Steamship Masselie, Captain J A PETERSEN, having arrived from the

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND

above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence and/or from the Wharves or Boats delivery may be Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless at 4 p.m.

notice to the contrary be given before p.m. To-DAY. Cargo remaining undelivered after the 27th Instant will be subject to rent. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left our Godowns. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

Agents. Hongkong, December 22, 1884. 2149

SIEMSSEN & Co.,

SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. FROM NEW YORK, ANTWERP, LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

ITHE Steamship Pembrokeshire, DAVIES Commander, in connection with S.S. Austral from NEW YORK, and Brecoushire from Hambung, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods, with the exception of Opium, are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, at Wanchai. No. 3, behind the premises known as 'Blue Buildings,' whence and/or from the Wharves or Boats delivery may be obtained.

less notice to the contrary be given before Noon To-DAY. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods PITCH and ROSIN. remaining after the 28th Instant will be

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, un-

subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,

Hongkong, December 22, 1834.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY. FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

The Co.'s Steamship Captain Nelson, will be despatched as above on

SUNDAY, the 28th lustunt. For Freight or Passage, apply to

Agents. Hongkong, December 22, 1884.

Destination.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Mecfoo, American steamer, 1,054, W.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAI VIA AMOY. (Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates for NINGPO, CHEFOO, NEW-CHWANG, TIENTSIN, HANKOW and Ports on the YANGTSZE.)

The Co.'s Steamship Captain Scale, will be MORROW, the 23rd Instant, at Noon. For Freight or Passago, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Hongkong, December 22, 1884. 215 FOR SWATOW AND AMOY .--The Steamship

Capt. McCastin, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 23rd Instant, at For Freight or Passage, apply to

RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, December 22, 1884. FOR SHANGUAL

The Steamship Captain G. HEUERMANN, | Rong Beng, for Swatow. above Port TO-MORROW, the 23rd Inst., Saltce, for Haiphong. For Freight or Passage, apply to

SIEMSSEN & Co. Hongkong, December 22, 1884.

PUBLIC AUCTION. ITHE Undersigned has received instruc-

tions to Sell by Public Auction, on

WEDNESDAY, the 24th December, 1884, at 2 p.m., at his Sales Rooms, Queen's Road,-. AN ASSORTMENT OF

comprising :-KANGA, IMARY, KIOTO and SATSUMA JARS, INCENSE BURNERS, CARD DISHES, PLATES, BOWLS, TEA SETS, EGG-SHELL WARE, ENAMELLED WARE, GOLD and SILVER INLAND BRONZES, EMBROIDERIES. EMBROIDERED SCREENS and NITCHKIS.

JAPANESE WARE.

TERMS OF SALE .-- As customary. . J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer. Hongkong, December 22, 1884.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS. . December 21, 1884 :-- h

Pendirokeshire, British steamer, 1,716, Davies, Antwerp via London October 12, and Singapore December 12, General .-ADAMSON, BELL & Co.

Peking, British steamer, from Whampon. Massilia, British steamer, 2,748, S. D. Shallard, Shanghai December 18, Mails & General. - P. & O. S. N. Co.

Chi Yuen, British steamer, 1,211, F. Wallaco, Singapore December 13, General. -Russell & Co.

Douglas, British steamer, 982, S. Ashton, Foothow December 16, Amoy 19, and Swatow 20, General. - Douglas Stransum Co. Lacries, British steamer, 1,391, R. F. Scale, London November 1, and Singapore December 13. General.—Butterfield &

Danube, British steamer, 561, Joseph Newton, Bangkok December 5, Rice and 2154 General.—YUEN FAT HONG.

Vessels.

Manila Esmeralda (8) Taylor

San Francisco, via Yokohama.. Arabic (s).....

Victoria (British Columbia).....Nanaimo.....

BANKS.

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corporation ... 60,000 \$

North-China Insurance Company, Limited ... 5,000 £ Yaugtsze Insurance Company, Limited 8,000 £

Canton Insurance Office Company, Limited ... 10,000 \$

Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited 8,000 \$

China Fire Insurance Company, Limited 20,000 \$

HK. C. and M. Steamboat Co., Limited 8,000 S

China and Manila S. S. Company, Limited ... 3,500 3

Hongkong & Whampon Dock Co., Limited ... 10,000 \$

STEAM COMPANIES.

Indo-China S. N. Co., Lt. 60,000 sh. issued

MISCELLANEOUS.

HK. and China Gas Company, Limited ... f.

New Shares

Hongkong Hotel Co., Lt., 3,000 aha issued

China Sugar Company, Limited
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited
Hongkong Bakery Company, Limited
Luzon Sugar Company, Limited

Perak Tin Mining & Smelting Co., Limited ...

Selangore Tin Mining Co., Lt. of Shanghai...

Hongkong Bope Manufactory Co., Limited. 3,000 \$

1878 3,899 TL

Union Insurance Society Company, Limited ... 2,000 5 1,250 5 125 5

China Tradere' Insurance Company, Limited... 24,000 \$ 83.33 \$ 25 5

Chinese Insurance Company, Limited 1,500 \$ 1,000 8 200 \$

Havre, &c., via Sucz Canal Casandra (s)

London, via Suez Canal Benledi (8) ...

London, &c., via Sucz Canal ... Flintshire (s) .

London, &c., via Suez Canal... Massillia (s).....

Vessels Advertised as Loading.

S. D. Shallard

.. Dancaster

SHARE LIST.-QUOTATIONS.

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A. W. S. Thomson Gibb, Livingston & Co....

... Wandering Jew Talpey Russell & Co...... quick despatch.

H. Lunt, Shanghai December 17, General.

Thibet, British stoamer, 1,675, W. D. Mudie, Yokohama December 13, Kobe and Nagasaki, Mails and General. P. & O. S.

December 22 :-Will o' the Wisp, British steamer, 166, F Owaton, Haiphong December 18, General -PUSTAU & Co.

Benledi, British steamer, 1,000, Thomson, Foochow and Amoy December 20, General. - Gibb, Livingston & Co. Airlie, British steamer, 1,492, Ellis Sydney November 25, and Port Darwin 15. Coals and General.—R. DESELL & Co. Massalis, German steamer, -1,262, G. 100 Chinese.

Petersen, Hamburg November 1, Penang December 10, and Singapore 13, General, 1 European. -Sirmsen & Co. Kurongsang, British steamer, from Wham-

Sooloo, British barque, 473, Barkie, Chefoo December 13, General.—Borneo & Co. Ningpo, British steamer, 761, Wm. Potts Shanghai Dec. 19, General.—Strassen

> DEPARTURES. December 21 :--

Duguay Tronin, French corv., for Keelung. Escort, for New York. Martha Davis, for Cebu. Descalion, for London.

Emuy. for Amoy. Uppingham, for Haiphong. Madras, for Saigon. Folcien, for Swatow. Amatista, for Holhow. Greyhound, for Hoihow. Livingstone, for Touron. Lide, for Swatow.

December 22:-Mary Stewart, for Bangkok. Kamtchatka, for Nagasaki. Nive. French troopship, for Keelung. Meefoo for Whampoa. Peshaucur, for Shanghai.

JEARED.

Honolulu, for San Francisco. Learles, for Amov. Picciola, for Swatow. Johanna, for Havre. Kale Davenport, for Port Townsend. Wandering Jew, for New York. Perle, for Foochow. Sumatra, for Bombay.

PASSENGERS. ARREYED. Per Pembrokeshire, from Singapore, &c.,

Per Massilia, from Shanghai: for Hongkong, Mesars Forguson, Belilios 2 children and 4 servants, Arranger, Walter and servants Hunter and servant, Vaughan, Dr. Hait, and 19 Chinese; for Singapore, Mr Lubbock; for Suez, Col. and Mrs Henley Smith, Miss Mullen; for Marseilles, Mrs. Rush and daughter; for London, Moude, Mrs Ferguson, infant and amah. Per Chi Yuca, from Singapore, 560 Chi

Per Douglas, from Coast Ports. Messrs Sampson, Sit Ming Cook, and Lias Too Sang, and 85 Chinese. Per Lacries, from London, and Singapore,

Mr McCaslin, Mrs Smith and child, and 191 Chinese. Per Danube, from Bangkok, 10 Chinese. Per Meefoo, from Shanghai, 2 Europeans cabin, and 50 Chinese.

Per Thibet, from Yokehama, Mr and Mrs Kent, Mr id Mrs Stern and maid, Messrs E. Brooke, W. Waggatt, R. C. Brodhurst, F. N. Rose, Shipperson, E. da Luz, G. For MANILA.-Deane and O. H. Ripley, 8 Chinese cabin and 14 deck.

Per Benledi, from Foochow, &c., Capt. Young, Mr E. C. Marshall, and 1 Chinese. Per Airlie, from Sydney, &c., Mr Armstrong, and 184 Chinese.

Lindemann Siemssen & Co...... About Jan. 10, 1885.

P. & O. S. N. Co.....

Butterfield & Swire.....

Jardine, Matheson & Co ...

Adamson, Bell & Co.....

Russell & Co.....

O. & O. S. S. Co.....

Butterfield & Swire

Douglas Lapraik & Co.....

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Date of Leaving.

About December 29.

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... About December 24.

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December 23, at 5 p.m.

December 30, at noon

December 24, at 3 p.m.

December 23, at noon,

Dec. 24, at daylight.

...Dec. 28, at daylight.

.... quick despatch.

Closing Quotamons, :

December 24, at 4 p.m.

About Dec. 28, noon.

DEC. 22, 1884.

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December 28.

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Jardine, Matheson & Co.... December 23, at noon.

... Adamson, Bell & Co...... quick despatch.

51,445 118 cash, sellers

540,107 Tls. 280 per share

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6,401.66 51 cash, 56 March '85

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106 March, sellers

496,329 \$460

167,381 263

35,165.20 \$170

285,231.00 \$365

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469,560 887

34,638 \$108

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June 16& Dec. 10 1 per cent discount

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June 30 Dec. 31

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April & October

Per Massalia, from Hamburg, &c. Messrs Hargens and Reiner, and 84 Chi-Per Ningpo, from Shanghai, 44 Chinese.

DEPARTED. Per Fokien, for Swatow, Capt. Gordon, and Mr Lung Voy Yau. Per Escort, for New York, 2 Europeans.

Per Deucation, for Singapore, 4 Europeans, and 554 Chineso. Per Kong Beng, for Swatow, 100 Chinese. Per Nam-vian, for Haiphong, 2 Chineso. Per Emuy, for Amoy, 51 Chinese. Por Madras, for Saigon, 150 Chinese.

Per Amatista, for Hoihow, 19 Chinese. Per Greyhound, for Holhow, 40 Chinese. TO DEPART. Per Lacries, for Amoy, 3 Europeans, and

Per Kate Dansport, for Port Townsond, Per Sumatra, for Singapore, 342 Chinese. Per Massilia, from Hongkong; for Singapore, Mr Tan Kean Sing ; for Suez, Hon. F. F. Low, Mrs Low, and Miss Low; for Marseilles, Mr Silverlock; for London, Mr and Mrs J. S. Cox and infant, Mr A. Ferguson. From Shanghai : for Singapore, Mr Lubbock ; for Suez, Col, and Mrs Henley Smith, Miss Mullen; for Marseilles,

Mrs Rush and daughter; for London, Mr Moude, Mrs Ferguson, infant and amah. From Yokohama : for Singapore, Messra C. H. Ripley and Wm. Shipperson; for Mar-seilles, Mr E. Brooke.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer Chi Yuen reports : Experienced monsoon with N.N.E. winds and heavy rains at the beginning of voyage; and latter part, heavy sea and strong breeze

The British steamer Douglas reports : Left Foochow on 16th December, with calm weather, and freshening up into a strong N.E. gale and cloudy. Left Amoy on 19th, with strong Northerly breeze and cloudy weather. Left Swatow on 20th, moderate and fine weather. Steamers in Foochow, passed Benledi, bound to Pagoda Anchorage, and H.B.M.S. Sapphire. Steamers in Amoy, West Meath, Yung Ching and Glucks-Steamers in Swatow, H.B.M.S.

The British steamer Leartes reports Had strong monsoon and high sea. The British steamer Danube reports Had moderate monsoon to Pulo Condore thence to port had fresh gale and high sea. The American steamer Meefoo reports:

Fine weather all throughout. The British steamer Will o' the Wisp reports : Experienced strong N.E. winds, with heavy sea throughout the passage. The British steamer Airlie reports : Left Sydney on the 25th ulto., arrived at Port Darwin via Queensland Ports on the 9th inst, experienced fine weather throughout. Left on the 15th, unsettled weather during the passage, and from Manila to within hundred miles of Port, strong N.E. gale with a tremendous sea ship behaving well and arrived safely this morning. The British steamer Ningpo reports: Had

POST OFFICE NOTICES. MAILS will close:-

fresh N.E. wind all the way down.

For AMOY AND SHANGHAL --Per Lacries, at 11.30 a.m., on Tuesday, the 23rd inst. FOR SWATOW AND AMOY .-

Per Chi Yuen, at 11.30 a.m., on Tuesday, the 23rd inst. For SHANGHAL. Per Kwongsang, at 11.30 a.m., on Tuesday, the 23rd inst.

Per Peking, at 3.30 p.m., on Tuesday the 23rd inst. FOR STRAITS AND CALOUTTA .-Per Japan, at 2.30 p.m., on Tuesday. the 23rd inst.

Per Esmeralda, at 4.30 p.m., on Tuesday, the 23rd inst.

For SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW .-Per Douglas, at 5 p.m., on Tuesday, the 23rd inst.

For YOKOHAMA.-Per S. S. Arabic, on Wednesday, the 24th inst. Registry ceases at 2.15 p.m. Mail closes at 2.30 p.m. Paid Correspondence may then be posted in the moveable box on board the

Packet. for SINGAPORE, PORT DARWIN, THURSDAYISLAND, COOKTOWN TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYD. NEY MELBOURNE & ADELAIDE,

previously notified. FOR NAGASAKI, KOBE, AND YOKO-Per Thibet, at 5 p.m., on Wednesday,

the 24th inst., instead of us pro

viously notified. MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET. British Contract Packet Massilia ments, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

The usual hours will be observed in closing

the Mails, &c.

The United States Mail Packet Araba, will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 24th December, with Mails for Ja-Canada, Honolulu, Peru, &c., which will be closed as follows :-

2.15 P.M. Registry ceases. 2.30 r. M. Post-Office closes, but Corre Postage until the time of departure.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET .-The French Contract Packet Vatal will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 30th December, with Mails for the United Kingdom, Europe, and places up a correct balance sheet of the income country. Madras, Calcutta, Aden. Mauritius. Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

The usual hours will be observed in closing

THE ENGLISH MAIL

the Mails, &c. HOURS OF CLOSING

The following hours are observed in closing Mails, &c., by the British Contract Packet :--Day of Departure,-Noon. - Money Order Office closes. . 2 P.M. Registry of Letters ceases.

patterns ceases. 3 P.M.-Mail closed, except for Late Late Fee of 10 cents until

Fee of 10 cents until time of

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW

Shipping. Noon.—Kwongsang leaves for Shanghai. Noon - Lacries loaves for Shanghai, 4 p.m .- Peking leaves for Shanghai.

of Call and Europe. 5 p.m .- Esmeralda loaves for Manila. Miscellaneous.

Transfer Books of Hongkong and China Gas Co., Limited, closed from this date

General Memoranda.

to the 8th Proximo, inclusive.

WEDNESDAY, December 24: 2 p.m .- Auction of Japanese Ware, &c., at Mr J. M. Armstrong's. Steamer Arabic loaves for Yokohama and San Francisco. THURSDAY, (Christmas Day), Dec. 25 :-

Local Banks close. FRIDAY, December 26:-Local Banks close.

ATURDAY, December 27 :--Goods per Massalia undelivered after this date subject to rent. 9 p.m.-Performance at the City Hall. SUNDAY, December 28 :-Goods per Pembrokeshire undelivered after this date subject to rent.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY

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A. S. WATSON & Co., AMILY & DISPENSING CHEMISTS. WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DRUGGISTS, IMPORTERS

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Soda Water, Lemonade, Tonic Water, Gingerade, Potass Water, Sarsaparilla Water, and other Aerated Waters. The Manufactory is under direct and continuous European Surervision. Hongkong, June 1, 1876.

BIRTHS. At 40, Port Street, Belgrave Square, spite of all complaining Governors and London, S.W., on the 20th Instant, the Salt Commissioners continue to grow fat Wife of A. Forbes Angus, Esq., of Foochow, China, of a Daughter. At No. 2 Police Station, Wanchai, on the 21st Instant, the Wife of Inspector J SWANSTON, of a Son.

B-The publication of this issue commence al 7.35 p.m.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1884.

THE REVENUE OF CHINA.

of the probable yield of the revenue of ing anything. Old sources of revenue the Chinese Empire, with some account have dwindled away or dried up and of the manner of its collection and the if it had not been that new ones have sources whence it is derived. At the been opened up, notably in the represent moment when the resources of venue from foreign trade, which cirthe country are being taxed to their ut- cumstances have literally forced upon most to meet the demands for coast de- it, it is difficult to see how the fence, and for other outlay necessitated government of the country could have by the French movements, the question been carried on. which most people are asking is where We have somewhat digressed in these is the money to come from? and a dis- preliminary remarks from our main cussion of the extent and elasticity of object, which was, as we said, to give the various funds on which the Go- some account of the different branches vernment might draw may not be of the Chinese revenue and an estimate without interest to our readers. The of the probable yield. The native works subject is one on which the vaguest on the subject do not give us much ideas prevail. In the first edition of the assistance, firstly because they are Middle Kingdom, the income and ex- incomplete and occupied more with Per Menmuir, at 3.30 p.m., on Wednes penditure of China were discussed at rambling details than with general day, the 24th inst, instead of as some length, and various authorities principles, and secondly because they were quoted, which however were so are all out of date. We know of no hopelessly at variance one with another, authority on financial matters printed that the reader was left in doubt whether subsequent to the beginning of the \$30,000,000 or 300,000,000 was to be century, and since that date two nodeemed as coming nearest the mark, table events have happened which have At that time of course the data for disarranged the whole system, namely forming a correct estimate were much the laeping rebellion and the opening less numerous and trust-worthy than of foreign trade. The former for a will be despatched on TUESDAY, the those that are now available, and it was time rendered the Land tax irrecoverable 23rd Dec., with Mails for the United to be expected that in the new Editon over more than half the empire and Kingdom, Europe, and countries be- of that valuable work an attempt would has left it still a good third short of youd, vid Brindisi; to the Straits Settle- be made to measure with some degree its former yield; the latter has introof accuracy the resources of the Empire. duced a tetally new source of revenue, But readers interested in the subject which already more than makes up

out by discovering in what quarter the demand for more remittances raises least demur. When therefore asked how much is really collected at the Canton Customs every year, or what is the 3 p.m.—Japan leaves for Singapore, yield of the Lekin in Fuh Kien, they Penang and Calcutta. will amount to so and so and that car-4 p.m. - English Mail leaves for Ports | tain charges must be met out of these funds, but what the real figures are they do not know. No one supposes for a moment that the Returns, even when Returns are forthcoming, which

in the case of the lekin at all events

they generally are not, represent the

actual collection.

The Breat fault of Chinese finance is that the various Collectors of the revenue are constituted so many Farmers, who are bound to furnish a certain sum and are at liberty to retain all they can ex-3 p.m .- Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s tract from the people over and above. This does not appear to have been the original intention, but the practice of naming a minimum sum, which was at first meant probably as a check upon fraud, and holding the Collector personally responsible if the revenue fell below that amount inevitably led to his feeling himself entitled, per contra, to retain for his own use whatever surplus a good year might bring to his hand. It is too much to expect of human nature that a revenue officer will make up a deficit out of his own pocket one year and yet will faithfully account for all he receives over and above the limit the next, though that is what the Chinese theory of Government expects him to do. The result is the present condition, which is, that there is a constant pull going on between the Central Government and the Provincial Authorities the former continually demanding larger subsidies, the latter protesting in an almost whining tone that they are utterly at their wits' ends and unable to screw out another faithing. Anyone who has been in the babit of looking over the Peking Gazettes for the past few years will easily recall passages that bear out this statement. A paltry Tls. 50,000 or so is perhaps required for the Imperial Household, or for repairs to some of the Mausolea, and the unlucky Governor or Salt Commissioner who is pitched upon to find this sum will declare with vehemence that the calls upon his revenue are already far in excess of the supply; that it is only by the greatest ecconomy and retrenchment that 236 he can make ends meet, and that a little more and he will be an absolute bankrupt. Nevertheless the money is gonerally forthcoming, and we know that in

A certain deduction must therefore be made from the picture which these memorials give us of the povertystricken condition of the country. Their groanings somewhat remind us of the miser's declarations, who parts with his guinea protesting he will end his days in a work-house. But after making all allowance there is no doubt that the Chinese Government is in a state of great impecuniosity. For the last 40 or 50 years it has been living from hand to mouth and if it had not run into debt like Turkey, Spain In this and the following papers we and some other nations, it has been propose to attempt to give an estimate by the negative virtue of never spend-

as of old.

will have noticed with regret that the for the loss of the land tax, and author contents himself with repro- which, if carefully fortered, or if even MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET .- ducing all the old confusing figures, only allowed fair play, would soon leaving us still in doubt as to what be worth all the rest put together. Anhis own opinion is. He adds, it is other new source of revenue added withtrue, one more tuble from an analysis, in this period is the Lekin, which probpan, San Francisco, the United States, he says, furnished by the Customs ably yields as much or nearly as much Service,' which, indeed, in point of as the Land tox. For these reasons the accuracy is worth all the rest put inquirer derives but little assistance from together, but he does not call the inative works on revenue and expendipondence may be posted on heard the reader's attention to the fact that this ture. Of these the principal is the Hwei Packet with Late Fee of 10 cents extra table is new both in matter and form, and Fien, to which we shall occasionally rerather leaves him to infer that it is on fer, but the chief source of information a par with the others and he may make for the present day is the Peking Cazette, by a collation of the Memorials We are not, of course, yet in any- in which we are able to gather certain thing like a position to be able to draw facts on the fiscal condition of the

beyond, vid Naples; to Saigon, Straits and expenditure of the Empire. Even The original sources of revenue, ac-Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, the Chinese officials themselves could cording to the Books, ore Ist, The Land the Australasian Colonies, Pondichery, not do that with any degree of ac- Tax; 2nd, The Native Custom Houses curacy. Several of the Foreign Minis- known as Kwan, partly maritime and ters interested in statistics have en- partly inland; 3rd, The Salt gabel; 4th, deavoured at various times to extract Miscellaneous taxes such as pawabrokers, information from the Peking authori- licences and kong licences, fees on land ties regarding the yield of the taxes in transfers, and so forth. Then follow two general and particular, but each attempt classes of great importance though of

has failed. Not that the Chinese have comparatively recent origin, viz. bth, the any particular-reason for maintaining Maritime duties on foreign trader and necrecy regarding these matters, or are 6th the dities on transit inland known unwilling that foreigners should come to as Lekin. A reventh class ought perbe acquainted with the resources of the haps to be added, which, though admitted country, but they really do not know on all heads to be abnormal, has been Posting of all printed matter and the details themselves. Although the so long in vogue that it may be counted Board of Revenue at Peking has nomi- us one of the permanent sources, namely nally control over the finances of the the sale of office or official rank, and 3.10 P.M.—Letters may be posted with whole country, yet it is persistently kept lastly, when everything else fails, the in the dark by the Provincial officials Government does not besitate to levy 3.30 P.M. - When the Post Office closes except when they have to explain how contributions where it can get them, certain tax has follen off from its rewarding the supposed voluntary donor 3.40 P.M.—Late Letters may be posted former yield. No improvement seems with some honorary title in recognition

Central Government is left to find that propose to devote a short notice.

ever to be voluntarily reported; the of his patriotism. To each of these we

TELEGRAMS.

GERMANS IN AUSTRALASIA. LONDON, Dec. 20.

It is reported that the German flag has been hoisted on New Britain and New Ircland and on a portion of the North Coast of New Guinea.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

PASSED CANAL :- Castello, Nov. 28 : Nestor

The next FRENCH MAIL, by the M. M. Co.'s steamer Anadyr, left Singapore on Sunday, the 21st instant, at 6 a.m., and may be expected to arrive here on or about Monday, the 20th instant. THE P. M. S. S. Co. a steamer City of Tokio, with American mail, left San Francisco on the 6th inst, for Yokohama and

The S. S. Pandora left Singapore for this port on the 14th instant. The S. S. Patrochus left Singapore for this

port on the 16th instant.

The S. S. Benlarig left Singapore for this port on the 19th inst. The S. S. Glencoe left Singapore for this port on the 21st instant.

DOCK MOVEMENTS:-

The Sarah Ridgeway will go to Kowloon Dock to-morrow.

THE French corrette Duquay Trouin left here yesterday, and the transport La Nive to-day, for Keelung.

Messes Jardine, Matheson & Co. inform is that the steamer Glencoe, from London, left Singapore for this port yesterday.

THE P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer City of Rio de Janeiro, with mails &c. from San Francisco to Nov. 22nd, has arrived at Yokohams, and will sail for this port to-morrow.

As Wednesday next will be Christmas Eve, the general practice of the Hongkong Choral Society will take place on Tuesday the 23rd.

On Thursday next, being Xmas day, a Tea and Entertainment will be held at the Temperance Hall under the auspices of the Temperance organization; tea at 7 p.m., Entertainment at 8 p.m.

THE M. M. Co.'s steamer Anadyr, with the next French and Australian mails, left Singapore for Saigon and this port on Sunday, the 21st instant, at 6 a.m., and may be expected to arrive here on or about Monday, the 29th inst.

THE article we publish to-night on the 'Revenue of China' is the first of a series of five or six which will appear on the same subject. These articles are contributed by a gentleman, not residing in this Colony, who is probably as competent as any one in ... the Far East to write on matters of this.

Why does our contemporary publish this THE alarming telegram respecting annexamorning as a telegram from Shanghai, tions by Germany off the coast of Australia dated Saturday last, a resume of the news is probably a caward, put in circulation very of the trouble in Corea brought down by likely to cause trouble between England the last mail from the North? We draw and foreign powers, or to force the annexaattention to this circumstance, because tion of the territories in question by the some persons might imagine there was a home Government. New Britain and New second disturbance. The mail news tells Ireland are immediately off the eastern coast us that the trouble took place at Scoul, of New Guinea. The portion of New Guithat the Japanese Legation was burnt nea which, it is said, has been annexed by down, and that the guard of the Japanese Germany, is presumably the east coast, Legation had retreated to Chemulpoo; yet which is not claimed by the Dutch and is all this is given by the Press as a telegram not included in the new British protectodespatched from Shanghai on Saturday, rate. The Australians view with extreme It is certain that the Japanese Legation at jealousy the encroschments of any foreign Seoul could not be twice burnt down within a day or two, nor are the Japanese soldiers likely to have made two retreats within the same space of time to Chemulpoo.

It is a pity that the Chinese authorities continue to send out talegrams respecting the operations of their forces in Tonquin which lieve not a grain of truth in them, The Shanghai papers to hand by the last mail contain telegraphic advices, emannting from Chinese sources, giving particulars of a great victory of the Chinese in Fonquin and the advance of their forces to French Government to annoy Australia by the neighbourhood of Hanof and even of Haiphong. A member of the staff of this journal was in Haiphong on the 10th inst., and had a conversation with a gentleman who had just visited some of the French advanced outposts. There had been no operations or movements of any consequence in the country for some time. have also received advices from Hanoi and to bear on the French Government with a Haiphong dated a week later, and subsequent to the issuing of these false reports in the North, and instead of reporting this great Chinese victory and the approach of Governments with reference to New Ireland the victorious forces, they state that affairs remain as they were. It is difficult to see how the Chinese cause is served by the circulation of these baseless reports. When of the New Guines protectorate. the Chinese do give the French a drubbing' we shall be very happy publish the

THE annual Bazaar for the sale of work in aid of the Baxter Chinese Girle' School was held in St. Andrew's Hall, City Hall. this afternoon and was much more successhe than had been anticipated. Being her later in the season than fast year and following so closely upon the monster Bassar recently held in the Botanical Garfer in consequence, but these forebodings offer of £105 was made, have scarcely being realized the sale affected being very satisfactory. This is no splendid sesortment of swelul and orns which took place at the Kulangson flospital mental articles contributed and to the lan- on the 12th inst.

dable energy and interest displayed by the ladies who kept the stalls or tables and their indefatigable president, Miss Johnstone, who was, throughout the afternoon, here, there and everywhere to render aid or advice. The Hall was very prettily laid out for the occasion, three stalls being arranged down each side, one at the end of the room near the entrance. and two in the centre of the Hall, while the refreshment bar occupied the upper end. The stalls were kept by the following ladies: -t, Mrs Crawford, Mrs Lambart and Miss Le Mesurier : 2, Mrs Jackson ; 3, Miss Linstead and Miss Sharpe; 4, Mrs Holmes and the Misses Hazeland; b, Mrs Fisher and Mrs Morant ; 6, Mrs Bird, Mrs Manson and Mrs Poesnecker; 7, Mrs Wright, Miss Grimble and Miss Hopkins. The two centre tables were conducted by Mrs Forbes, Mrs McEwen, Mrs Ford and Mrs Jonnings, while Mrs Marsh, with a bevy of fair asia-

stants, dispensed the refreshments. The band of H.M.S. Audacious, by the kind permission of Admiral Dowell and the officers of the ship performed in the Music Hoom, the following choice selection of mu-The Wagrien went to Kowloon Dock sie under the leadership of Bandmaster J. Haines, and added much to the enjoyment of the numerous visitors during the after-

> (La Fille de Tam-) bour Major. Selection. H.M.S. Pinafore, Sullivan. VALSE 'Myosotis.' ... Caroline Lowthim. SELECTION. Pirate of Penzance. ... Sullivan. VALSE Distant Shore, D'Albert. GALOP Eisenbahn, Arndt.

Overland China Mail to be published at 11 o'clock to-morrow morning :-

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Powers in the South Pacific, and if hands were laid by Germany on two islands so near to the Australian coast as are New Britain and New Ireland it would not surprise us to find the Australians declaring their independence, and boldly disputing the possession of these islands with Garmany The following telegrams from Australian

papers may help to elucidate matters :-London November 13 .- The Earl Derby stated to-day that the English Government had no intention of annexing the New Hebrides or Solomon Islands. London, Nov. 16 .- Prince Bismarek's organs in the German Press are urging the the wholesale deportation of criminals to New Caledonia. The Journal des Debats, a leading Paris newspaper, opposes the

London, Nov. 17 .- At the interview between the colonial Agents-fleneral and the Earl of Derby to-day, Sir F. Dillon Bell urged Lord Derby to strongly oppose the French récidiviste scheme, and was supported by the other Agents-General. Lord Derby, in reply, promised to bring pressure view to prevent the carrying out of the

proceeding between the British and German comment in England.

The English Government do not intend to supplement the amount subscribed

Saturday (Dec. 13th) to the effect that the French Government is purchasing seven transports in England .- N. C. D. News.

Mr. W. Donald Spencer proceeded Taiwanfoo from Amoylon the 17th instent by H. M. S. Champon to relieve Mr Wm. Gregory, H. M. Consul at Takow.

Tax wrecked steamer Chang Chou was save the Brishano Courier, put up for sale Messra J. R. Dickson and Co., and subsedens, it was feared that the affair would suf- from Sydney. We understand that an

THE Amou Gazette announces with regret the death of Mr John Ross, late secon gunner of the Revenue Cruiser Fei Hoo

the Chinese Government. The amount is stated to be Tls. 10,000,000, which is to be devoted to replacing the forts and vessels destroyed in the recent engagements.

THE Warerley has been again engaged tocarry troops to Formosa; and was to loave, Shanghai on Dec. 16th for Chinkiang. The Wham has preceded her. It is rumoured that the captains, officers and engineers of these vessels will change ships before proceeding to Formosa .- N.-C. D. News.

A nonrecation in Saturday's Gazette gives ho names of the candidates for the Hongkong Government Scholarship, together

who commanded the Foopeo in the engagement at Foochow in August, we have good authority in saying, will not be sent to the frontier as a convict for running away and trying to save his vessel. To redeem his dishonour, however, he is to be given the opportunity again to face the French, when the time comes.'

REINFORCEMENTS for Formosa, in the shape of 500 mon and Tls. 100,000 for the treasury of General Liu Ming-chuan, have, the Courier hears, already been successfully landed by the steamer Activ, recently purchased in Hongkong by the Chinese Government. The commander of the little steamer is Captain Lim Kok-cheong, who commanded one of the gunboats in the battle of the Min last August,

THE N.-C. D. News says :- 'It having been THE following is the table of contents of the definitively arranged that the Armstrong eruisors Chao-yang and Yang-wei should be creating a disturbance and damaging a quarsent to Korea, in order to make a naval demonstration, they cast off from their buovs and steamed down the river punctually at noon on the 16th December and anchored at Woosung with four others. The Tao-t'ai went down to the Associated Wharves to see them off.'

A FEW days ago a Malay at Pangeran, while walking along a narrow path through a awamp, came in contact with a python, the negative and he told him to get eighteen which, after biting his leg, coiled itself of the photos printed ready for them on mind enough to seize the roptile by the head, and by forcing its jaws open until arriving at the village the alarm was given. 243 and the people, turning out, found the RIFLE MEETING, 243 snake, which had crept into the scrub, and MARINE COURT, 243 dispatched it. It was 18 feet in length, so

ult., states that the M.M.S.S. Menzalch was detained two days at Keelung, landing THE TROUBLE IN COREA,..... 246 provisions and stores for the French fleet An engineer and a contractor had already arrived there, and the construction of a line of forts and barracks for the troops was to SESSIONS AND GARRISONS ABROAD 246 | be immediately commenced. It is also said that considerable defensive works had been ENGLISH AID TO CHINA...... 246 undertaken since Admiral Courbet took BERLIN FOUNDLING HOUSE, 246 possession of the town. Reinforcements TELEGRAMS. 247 | were expected to arrive there in the course

> formation about the vote of the French Senate granting Credits for the Tongking and China operations :-

> The French Premier declared in the Senate that the Government had resolved allusion to the failure of negotiations lately undertaken by England with a view procure an arrangement, and declared that no room was left for further negotiations. and that France would act with all the decision and vigour required by the cireumstances,'-Shanghai Mercuru.

By last advices from Java, to the 26th November, the Chinese rebellion on West Coast of Borneo had been making such headway that two more companies troops were on the point of starting for that province from Samarang. Mandor Chinese, after checking the advance of troops into that district by giving arisen through the mediation of the Sultan of Pontianak, despatched a strong force along with a number of Dyaks to invade the district of Montrado, where they twice attacked a fort at Benkayang but esten of each time, losing 6 killed in the first attack. On their second repulse they left on the field three dead, ton cannon, six muskets, several kegs of gunpowder, bullets, and all their flags. troops had no casualties in the first action, and four wounded in the second.

RIFLE MEETING.

ever known in Hongkong was witnessed the Police Range at Kowloon, when our local guardians of the peace a most creditable victory in the shooting match which commenced on Saturday. In our report of Saturday it was stated that the Police team refused to fire. This was not so. It was seen both by the Committee London, Nov. 18th. - Negotiations are who organised the meeting and the Police and Volunteer teams, who were the last on and New Britain, but they excite very little the list to compete, that it would be imposthe Australian colonies towards the expenses | before the time fixed by the Committee at which firing should cease, viz.: 4.45. It was suggested under the discumstances PRIVATE telegram was received here on that both teams should fire until time was tances could not be accomplished, come back another day and finish the match. An alternative course was afterwards agreed upon between the Captains of thetwo teams, Major Tripp and Inspector Phomson, with after knocking him down held him down for the sonsent of the Committee, that one team should fire on Saturday and the other done by the Chinese thomselves by throw-Monday, and that the sa to who should fire on Saturday should be decided by tossing. Just as this was agreed upon, it was discovered that one of the Volunteer team could not possibly get over to the Range on Monday (to- cane and was broken off at the handle, elected that his team should fire at once

affoat of another loan to be contracted by we think that if the Police had fired on Saturday and the Volunteers to-day that there would have been any difference in the result of the match but because our statement had led to some rather unjust animadversions being passed on the Police. If the team had refused to fire they would have been disqualified.

This afternoon, the Police team commenced to fire shortly after half past two. when the conditions were much the samons they were on Saturday afternoon, except that the wind was, if anything, a little with the number of marks obtained at the score below, the shooting was excopexamination on the 17th instant. They tionally good, one man of the team were :-- W. Bosman, Victoria College, total making the possible at 200 yards, and marks 788 : G. F. G. Grimble, Victoria another making it at 400 yards, while College, total marks 685; out of a possible the average of the whole team was 51. Inspector Thomson and Sergeant Mann ran each other very close for the cup Says the Courier :- Captain Lee Bush, presented by Major Tripp for the highest individual score, and the prize was only won by the veteran Inspector by his having the better score at the longest range. Annexed

are the acores :-Const. MacDonald, 44433 18 44334 18 28342 14 50 Coust. Comerco,33344 17 34324 16 22443 15 48 Insp. Thomson,43444 19 84344 18 43434 19 55

> Police Intelligence. (Before H. E. Wodehouse Esq.) Monday, Dec. 22.

A ROW IN A HIGH-ART STUDIO. John Brown, Samuel Anthony, and George Martell, stewards on board the & O. S. S. Massilia, were charged with tity of property in Pun Lun's photographic studio, 64 Queen's Road Central, on the

Chan Yuk San, proprietor of the studio. was the complainant, and gave evidence t the cifect that some time last month the first defendant, Brown, came to his shop and asked him to go on board the Massilia to take a photo, of himself and some others. He did so, and after taking the group showed the first defendant cents each and the first defendant paid him the \$9 on the spot. Yesterday the complainant took the photographs on board the ship and showed them to first defendant who did not like them and wanted the money back. Complainant refused to return the money and went ashore. At about 2 came to complainant's shop and asked to have the money returned, but complainant again refused and defendants went away.

At about 8 or 9 p.m. the defendants returned to the shop and again requested return of the money, the first defendant stating that if complainant did not return the money he would take some of his pictures. Some pictures were collected in hean and when complainant refused to le him take them first defendant struck him blow with a walking stick. The other defendants did not touch complainant nor want to take away the pictures. The police afterwards appeared.

Fong Po Chiu, a photographer, who first denied being employed by the complainant but immediately afterwards referred to him as his master, gave evidence to the Queen's Road, at 9 o'clock p.m. when the first defendant came in and asked for the money to be returned or otherwise he would take some pictures. Complainant refused and the first defendant struck him with a walking stick and afterwards began to break the furniture and pictures. The first defendant stood on the stairs to prevent witness going for a constable and struck him with his stick. The second and third defendants went away and the witness stopped him and closed the trap door. The second and third defendants came back and tried to force the trap door. They assisted in breaking the furniture.

About \$70 damage had been done. W. Currie, P.C. 40, gave evidence to the offect that at about 8 30 last night, while on duty in Queen's Road, he was called by the third defendant, who said that the Chinese were killing one of his comrades, and took witness to No. 64 Queen's Road. He entered the house and found the tran door leading to the top floor closed and when he called out to have it opened the Chinese above refused; witness tried to force the door and a large carthenware jar and other missiles were thrown at him from above. He was obliged to retreat and obtain assistance. After getting a Sikh and On entering the top floor he found about fourteen Chinamen, among them the second witness, who was very excited. The first defendant was bleeding from wounds on the head and face. - A quantity of broken furniture was lying about and some torn pictures. The complainant had a mark over the eye which was covered with

Brown, the first defendant, stated that about a month ago when in this nort he went to complainant and asked him to come on board to take a group. He did so and was paid \$9 for eighteen. Yesterday complainant brought them, on board, were very bad and none of the members of the group liked them. He himself was not taken at all. He asked complainant to take them back and return the money. Com. plainant said he would do so but that he had no money with him. If he, defendant, would call at the shop after dinner, h would return the money. He went to the to return the money. He then asked commoney, 64.50, but he refused to do so. At 8.30 p.m. he and the other defendants called at the shop again and threatened to take the matter to court if part of the money were not returned, as the photos were no use to thom. They were then leaving the studio, to go on board, when first defendant, who was the last to leave, received a blow on the head from a chair. The second and third defendants said would go for the police and then the Chinese, of whom there were twelve or fourteen in the room, thut the trap door, keeping the first defendant in the room. They then began throwing chairs and stools at him and some ten minutes, when the police came. All the damage done to the furniture, was question ing the things at him. He had no stick with him and if he had struck

complainant it was in self defence. P.C. Currie, recalled, said that he saw stick in first defendant's hand: One, produced, was brought up to the Charge Room by some of the party. It was a bamboo known that it was the police whom they

Tribus are (says the N.O.D. News) rumours . We make this explanation, not because we forced the trap up and they could see his his men to charge, but the Japanese uniform. He also told them who he was fought well and the battle raged from 5 and two of them moke English well. see the blow which struck the first defend- two hundred, even with the fifty that ant: they were half way down the stairs | joined them on the previous day from the when they heard him call out for help; when Nishin Kan, and finding they could not they tried to go back to him the Chinese hold out much longer, determined to reshut the trap door on them. A stool was treat. This they did by the rear of the thrown at third defendant as he was going Palace. Some left the city by the west and fortifying British coaling stations has

damage was done to furniture and pic- and cost some \$20,000. The Chinese, hav- Lords last night, said that Sydney and tures. He denied that it was done by ing got into the Palace, kept possession of Melbourne, which were omitted from the hemselves or striking the first blow.

it. As soon as the Japanese got to the scheme, were already in a position of conThe second witness, recalled, said he did Legation, a fight commenced between them fident security. themselves or striking the first blow. not let the constable in because he thought and the Koreans. The Japanese then left

stronger. As will be seen from the defendant go was because he had broken were seen issning from the windows \$15 and \$10 compensation, and the second were quickly consumed. The Koreans and third, \$5 each and \$5 compensation.

The Trouble in Corea-The following telegram was received in Shanghai on the 13th instant:-

Political disturbance at Scoul between Chinese and Japanese. Fighting at Scoul on the night of 7th instant. The Japanese retired to Chemulpu. The Japaneso Lega-

The N.-O. D. News of the 18th instant says :- It appears that there are, among the 9 34233 15 4333 16 49 | nese and anti-Japanese, the former being also pro-Japanese and the latter pro-Chinese, and there has long been considerable ill-feeling existing between them. The heads of the Government at the time of the recent outbreak were on the Chinese side, and there was a second massacre of officials who were favourable to Japan.

The city of Seoul is almost entirely surrounded by mountains. It has four principal gates corresponding to the four eardinal points. The King's Palaco is in a valley on the west side of the city, while the houses of the people reach to the foot of the mountains. The Japanese Legation is on the fevel in the city and is about fifteen minutes walk from the King's Palace. This Legation Office that the trouble began. On the 4th ing to inaugurate its opening. Invitations lings, the blame being laid on the Japan- to approach Khartoum. Finally, General were issued to the heads of the Korean Go- nese, Chinese, or Koreans according to the Gordon states that the Mahdishimself is vernment, the United States Minister. General Foote, the British Consul-General Mr | the King of Korea, or his sou, was killed, Aston, Herr von Möllendorff, and others, but it is stated the Japanese Minister, Mr Takezoyé, was absent, and there were no Chinese present. All went smoothly, and the hosts and guests enjoyed themselves till 10 p.m. when a stranger appeared on the and tomage, were designed by Sir scene. It is not known who this stranger | W. Armstrong, and built on the Tyne a was, that is, whether he was a Korean or a few years ago. They are considered by Japanese, but he was dressed as a Korean foreign naval authorities to be superior to and stated that there was a fire on the lany of the kind affoat, and if properly outside of the building. A Korean Prince handled and well managed, would prove named Ming, hearing this, said he would dangerous enomies in action. Had these go out and see what was the matter, and two gunboats taken part in the Pagoda An- | vory little to encourage an improvement in He then left and was followed by two of his now the French ships would have sustained military officers out into the street. There considerable damage from the battering fire employment to load here for New York and must have been a band of assassins lurking of the heavy guns, and the destructive hail Hamburg respectively at very poor rates. outside; for he had no sooner set foot out that could have been thrown upon their said to be about 18/ per 40 cubic feet for of the building than he was attacked from exposed decks by the machine guns, now the former and 25/ per 50 cubic feet for the It is evident that this had been planned, forecastle of the vessels. It is to be hoped ness there is nothing fresh to report there one cut nearly severing his right ear, and taught the authorities at Pekin the here, and shippors are as reluctant as over. other extending from near his right shoulder | inestimable value of these weapons in | entering into business simply for actual rehai on the 14th instant, gives further in- effect that he was in the shop No. 64 to his wrist, one down his back, some modern warfare, and they will not, as they quirements, while past experience has comfourteen inches long, another half way did, not very long ago, deny them to the petely disheartened speculators eft arm five inches long, a sixth on quisition for them. was on his right leg, the blow having inch, breechloading, Armstrong guns, one apparently missed his back. In consequence placed at the bow and the other at the of these wounds, the Prince became very stern. purpose of escuping from his onemics. As was the matter, and mot the Prince, who the small arm fire of the enemy. Large fell into his arms. One of the two officers in the right arm while trying to save his about 35" on each side. master. The assassing then fled. Herr you

Möllendorff, who was covered with blood from the wounded Prince, had him conveyed inside the building, where his injuries were partially attended to. The guests. fearing that they might be attacked, and perhaps murdered, hastily left the feast and endeavoured to return to their homes. leaving Herr von Möllendorff and the Prince an hour, a boy went to Herr von Möllendorff's residence, a short distance from the Post Office: with the intelligence that there had been an attempt to assassinate Ming. n Shanghai, who lives close to the Ameri-While Ming remained at Herr von Mollenwho was in office last year, called to see him | small compartments, and over all a strong A letter was then received by the Minister of the vessel is well protected from above from the King to attend at the Palace. He from falling shot and shell, but, only insufwith the King; and after leaving, as he was I not heavily casemated as they should be in passing through the second chamber from the wake of the machinery. the King's, he was attacked by some persons and hacked to death. During the night, dition, the former are compound, having seven heads of Departments were killed. high and low pressure cylinders of 60 and mated, a new Government was formed, with twin screws, which will give the vessels Kim o Kim, ox-Minister to Tokio, at its speed of 16 knots, In the morning a circular was sent round giving the names of the new Minsacre, and all the members of the new these escaped with the Japanese troops, the second Ministry being pro-Japanese, the first being on the Chinese side The Koreans thomselves, it is said, killed the second lot of Ministers as they did not like the Japanese had killed the seven heads of

ment officials, but this does not include this apparators is not as yet rigged, general, finding he would not be allowed to enter the Palace quietly, gave the orders to his troops to advance. They and properly officered, these staunch little did so, and forced open the Palace cates, eraft ought to show the enemy that a war was sure the Chipese in the room must have but the Japanese sprang a mine on them with the men of Chang-kwoh is not to be and twelve Chinese were killed. When merely a game of skittles, - Shanghai Courefused to let through the trap door. He | the Chinese general saw this, he ordered rier,

p.m. to 3 a.m. The Japanese being few The second and third defendants did not in number, probably not more than Complainant, recalled, said that over \$70 Japanese Legation. This is a new building speaking on the subject in the House of it was the second and third defendants. the Legation, and made for the south gate, His only reason for not letting the first but they had on sconer done so than flames on the lower floor, while the whole of the Mr Wodehouse fined the first defendant houses for the troops caught fire and

stated that the Japanese set fire to this place themselves, but this is hardly likely. I that the hours will run from I to 24 instead Before the Japanese and Chinese troops came into conflict. Herr von Möllendorff asked the American Minister and the British Consul-General to advise Japanese to leave the Palace. This was at 2 p.m. on the 5th. He said that there the new Oriental Bank to-day was well would be trouble if the two peoples came attended. Thirty-one thousand three himtogether. In the meantime, he had a dred shares were allotted. Nearly one-half letter from the Chinese Representative of the capital has now been paid It is stating that the Chinese troops were going expected that 20,000 shares will be takento advance upon the Palace. He im- up in Australia. mediately despatched a reply, objecting to Mr Forbes, who is proceeding to New this, but the letter did not reach its des- Guinea on an exploring expedition, will tination till after the Representative had sail about Christmas, and intends landing received a dispatch from the Chinese at Redscar Ray. General stating that he was then on his | London, November 15, -Tu the House way to the Palace. So Herr von Möllen of Commons yesterday the Marquis of dorff's letter arrived too late, and the Hartington, Secretary of State for War, Chinese and Japanese troops came into made a statement on behalf of the Governcollision. The total number of Chinese ment, in which he announced that the plan killed in the fight is said to be thirty, formed by General Wolsoley for an adand of Japanese thirty-seven, but vance on Khartoum is to assemble a force these numbers are only conjectural, of 2000 men at Debboh and from thence When the Japanese left Seoul, they started ride across the desert to Khartouni, should for Chemulpo. a distance of twenty-eight the attitude of the tribes between those two miles. When they got there they found places admit of this being done. the Chitase Morn in port and they put on | board of her all the Japanese women and has now received General Gordon's letters, sick men, to the number of about 2 0, and which are dated up to the 4th linstant. sent them back to Japan, where they ar. These letters fully confirm the report of the is surrounded by houses for troops, and rived on the 13th. As soon as the Ja- ninssacre of Colonel Sloward, Mr. Power there are also barracks for Japanese troops panese Government get word of the state (the correspondent of the Times), and on the eastern side of the city about fifteen of affairs, they ordered men-of-war and M. Herbin (the Franch consul) cour their minutes walk from the Legation. About transports to be got ready. The U.S.S. way from Berber to Ambukoi. General fifteen minutes walk from the King's Palace Trenton left Nagasaki for Korea on the Gordon states that he is delighted to hear is, or rather was, the new Japanese Post Of- 13th. The Espair was at Chemnlpo on the of the approaching advance of a British exfice, which was about five infinites walk form oth, the Albatrons has proceeded to Korea, pedition for the relief of Khartonin, and he the Japanese Legafion. It was at this Post | while Chinese men-of-war are also proceeding to the same country. Opinions are divid- | rival of General Welsel y's force. He con-December a grand dinner party was given ed as to the real origin of the murder of within the new Japanese Post Office build. | the Ministers and the subsequent proceed-

THE CHINESE ARMSTRONG CRUISERS. These two vessels, of nearly the same size told the company not to disturb themselves, | chorage affair, armed and fitted as they are | the near future. behind and scriously wounded with swords, seen bristling from the bridge, poop and latter ports. Regarding Philippine busi-The Prince was wounded in seven places, that the catastrophe at Foothow has is a superabundance of tonnage there and down his right shoulder, another on his commanders in their service, who made re-

different stories current. The report that

The two gunboats are armed with two 10 weak and turned round apparently for the by these is 400 lbs. and the charge of nowder used 180 lbs. Larninated plates of he did so. Herr von Möllendorff who was soft steel and iron, moving with the gun as Butavia proceed to Nagasaki and the Gerattracted by the noise, came out to see what it is trained, protect the gun's crew from ports extending round the bow and stern give an immense sweeping range of fire of trained and elevated, ect., by hydraulic power, but loaded by hand. Four or five men are sufficient to work one of these large pieces of ordnance. In addition to these bow and stern chasers there are four rather antiquated 40 pounder muzzle-load ing broadside guns, which would be per-

feetly usoless in action after the first fire. The machine guns are in excellent condi tion, well arranged on the ship, and fairly well protected with wrought iron shields. long Gatlings on the poop; 2 Hotchkiss, 37 milemetres calibro, firing a 1 lb, projectile on each side of the bridge, and 1 Norden-There were two or three foreigners in felt on the forecastle. One of these guns the house, so they armed themselves was being fitted to its revolving pedestal getting Ming safely away from the Post tive) superintending the work, and the Office. At the same time Dr. Allen, lately workmen themselves, seemed to thoroughly understand their business, and the former can Legation, was sent for; he promptly to fully appreciate the power of the wearon. Strong steel hatches, covered is no doubt the Prince's wounds were very with plates of the same metal, lead down into the engine and fire rooms, which are four feet below the waterline : immediately dorff's house, the Korean Minister of War, labove are the coal bunkers divided into and stayed with him till 4 a.m. on Friday, I steel deck. Thus the most vulnerable part obcyed the summons and had an interview ficiently defended on the aides, which are days. The engines and boilers are in good con-

While these murders were being consum- 30 inches respectively in diameter, working The most exposed part of the ship, the

pilot house, is insufficiently strong, being isters, but at night there was another mas- only two thicknesses of boiler iron, having Ministry were killed except three, and nice, the height of the eye; these can be closed by an iron flap when not in use. Spars about 35 feet in length on each side, one a little abaft the bow, the other just forward of the stern, can be rigged out to hold suspended wire nettings stretched the Japanese, and because they supposed from one to the other, which are weighted and sunk below the water as guards against the previous Ministry, Kim a Kim was torpedoes and the torpedo boats of the one of the three who escaped, and he went enemy; before one of these destructive to Chemulpo with the Japanese when they little craft could cut through this wire impediments, she would probably be sunk So far, we have only given a short by the guns of the ship. There are no outline of the massicro of Korean govern- torpedoes on board these gunboats, and all the bloodshad. The Chinese reneral will be before leaving Shanghai. The in command of the Chinese troops, finding condition of the vessels is good on the that complications might arise, endeavour, whole, it is only in minor and unimportant ed to see the King, but the Japanese details, that can be rectified at any time, said they could not allow his troops to and are at present of little moment, that enter the Palace walls, for by this time they appear to a stranger and one unthe Japanese had made their way to the acquainted with the ensemble of a man of Palace and guarded it. The Chinese war undergoing repairs, to have been neglected and to be out of order. -Well-manned with a crew of 140 mon

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gate, while most of them made for the been largely increased. Lord Carnaryon, London, Nov. 15 .- Mr Justice Chitty has fixed the list of contributories to the

> The shareholders of the Oriental Bank generally intend to appeal against theidecision of Justice Chitty. London, Nov. 17 .- On the Ist January next Greenwich time will be aftered, so

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Cuiro, November 17. General Wolsoley tiones with aid of his steamers to harass the enemy, who are making constant efforts within a day's murch of Kharloum. London, November 20. -The Crofters in

the Isle of Skye, who lately assumed a very defiant attitude liave now been overawed by the authorities.

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Mu J. Lamko's Freight Circular for the mail of Tuesday, 23rd December, anva:--There is little to record in the freight market during the past fortnight; the depression continues, tonnage remains entire. ly neglected and the market closes with

Homewards, only two small vossels found Constwise, a few charters of sailing

vessels for the Southern ports have been effected at wretchedly low rates and there is hardly any further demand For steamers there is scarcely soything doing The weight of the projectile fixed on the coast and there seems to be no end

The British backs Arms, Sea Spallow and effected elsewhers. The German ship Adele man bar Francisca returns to Amoy. The German schooner Wagrien has been sok by private contract.

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